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TOKYO AND COPENHAGEN FOR RFA

E.O. 11652: XGDS3 IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE

TAGS: EFIS MR KS SF NO SP

SUBJ: CANARY ISLAND BASED FOREIGN FISHING OFF MAURITANIA

REF: CASABLANCA 0917, 0836; NOUAKCHOTT 2256

1. SOUTH AFRICA: RFA BOARDED FISHMEAL FACTORYSHIP L'INTERPECHE
IN SANTA CRUZ DE TENERIFE, CANARY ISLANDS ON 1/12/76. VESSEL
IS REGISTERED IN HAMILTON, BERMUDA, AND FLIES SAME FLAG.
MANAGING DIRECTOR OF L'INTERPECHE LTD. IS THORNTON BOOTH WHO
MAINTAINS OFFICES AT MARINE 39, SANTA CRUZ DE TENERIFE. IN
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DISCUSSIONS WITH RFA BOOTH OPENLY ADMITTED SOUTH AFRICAN CONN-

CTION, BUT REQUESTED INFORMATION BE TREATED CONFIDENTIALLY.
VESSEL PLANNED DEPART TENERIFE ON 1/16 FOR SARDINE FISHERY
SOUTH OF SENEGAL. FISH SPOTTING WILL BE DONE BY LEASED SWISS
AIR BELL HELICOPTER. ADDITIONAL DETAILS WILL BE SENT VIA
AIRGRAM.

2. SOUTH KOREA: THE DON WON NO'S 502 (350-GRT), 517 (680-GRT),
AND 519 (680-GRT) OF THE DON WON FISHERY COMPANY ARE PRESENTLY
FISHING ON MAURITANIAN WATERS AND FIRM PLANS TO ADD 5 OR 6
ICE BOATS IN NEAR FUTURE. FIRMS DIRECTOR REPORTEDLY WAS IN
NOUAKCHOTT DURING RFA'S VISIT. NAM YANG SA COMPANY'S VESSELS
CARNATION NO. 51 AND 52 (BOTH 900-GRT TRAWLERS) PLAN TO BEGIN
FISHERY IN NEAR FUTURE. NO. 51 ARRIVED AT LAS PALMAS ON 1/13/76
AND NO. 52 WILL ARRIVE 1/23/76. CARNATION NO. 51 IS REGISTERED
IN PANAMA AND CARRIED AN ENGLISH AND AN ARABIC NAME ON HULL.
ASSUME THAT BOTH VESSELS MIGHT BE ATTACHED TO IMAPEC OPERATION
IN NOUADHIBOU. RFA ALSO FOUND GREAT INTEREST ABOUT MAURITANIAN
FISHERIES ON PART OF OTHER LAS PALMAS BASED ROK FISHERY FIRMS.
MANY OF THESE FIRMS INDICATED THAT THEY ARE NOW FISHING OFF
MAURITANIAN COASTLINE. IN VIEW OF THIS FISHERY RFA ASSUMES
POSSIBILITY OF A SEIZURE EXISTS ESPECIALLY FOR VESSELS OPENLY
FLYING ROK FLAG. RFA QUIZZED BY I. YAHIRO, GEN. MANAGER NICHIRO
FISHERIES CO. (JAPAN) AS TO ANY U.S. INVOLVEMENT IN ROK PUSH
TO ENTER MAURITANIAN FISHERIES. ALTHOUGH DENIED BY RFA,
QUESTION RAISES ISSUE OF POOR KORAN SECURITY . AS INDICATED
PREVIOUSLY THERE IS WIDESPREAD INTEREST ABOUT MAURITANIAN
FISHERIES AND NO GREAT EFFORTS ARE BEING MADE TO KEEP THIS
INTEREST/FISHERY A SECRET. AMEMBASSY NOUAKCHOTT MAY WISH
TO CONSUL WITH DEPT AS TO ADVISABILITY OF ALERTING ROK OFFICIALS
OF THIS DEVELOPMENT.

3. NORWAY: NORGLOBAL FACTORYSHIP WITH 6 TO 11 ICELANDIC
CATCHER VESSELS APPARENTLY FISHED FOR ONLY ONE MONTH IN
MAURITANINA WATERS BEFORE DEPARTING FOR UNDISCLOSED FISHING
GROUNDS. DETAILS ON NORGLOBAL VESSEL AVAILABLE IN OCTOBER
1970 ISSUE OF FISHING NEWS INTERNATIONAL. RFA WOULD APPRECIATE
COPY OF ARTICLE FROM OIF/NMFS/NOAA/DOC AND SUGGESTS COPY BE
SENT TO AMEMBASSY NOUAKCHOTT.
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